

Nuckolls County Board Minutes



JANUARY 17, 2012 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Tuesday, January 17, 2012 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of January 9, 2012. Combs, Corman and Brown present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Combs announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 9:00 a.m. Chairman Combs approved the agenda and the January 9, 2012 minutes as submitted. Also present for the meeting is Chuck Mittan of the Superior Express.

The following correspondence was submitted to the Board in advance of the meeting: Correspondence from NACO regarding the training for Noxious Weed Superintendents obligation. As Nuckolls County did not have a Superintendent for the Noxious Weed Department all year the County was in non-compliance of completing 20 hours of training for 2011. A report was submitted from the U.S. Department of Transportation Drug and Alcohol Testing Collection for Nuckolls County for 2011 CDL County Employees for Random Drug Testing. 0 findings were reported. A letter from Jolene Stroyek, Auditor for Contryman Associates, P.C. notifying the Board of her resignation from Contryman Associates.

Susan Rogers, County Assessor and Vicki Ensign, County Treasurer was present to request to be allowed to participate in the NACO Institute of Excellence for 2012. The cost is \$250.00 per person. A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Combs to allow Rogers and Ensign to participate in the NACO Institute of Excellence for the year 2012. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to amend the 2012 County Board of Commissioners Meeting Dates to reflect a correction on an error to change Monday, November 14, 2011 to Monday, November 12, 2012. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Susan Rogers, County Assessor met with the Board regarding the position in the Assessor's office. She will be hiring for a part-time employee at this time.

Deb Wilbur of Nelson, Nebraska met with the Board to discuss a complaint regarding the handibus coming to Nelson. Commissioners will be checking into the situation.

Gary Warren, Highway Superintendent and Cindy Buescher, Executive Secretary met with the Board to discuss the current activities of the County Road Department. Warren noted the road department is currently cutting trees in county road ways, inventorying the county road signs and shop work on equipment maintenance. Warren informed the Board they had received the barricades for Project HRRSTWD 108. Warren discussed removing project BRO-7065(24), Oak NE from the 1 & 6 Year Road & Bridge Plan as the NDOR will buy out the project and leave the temporary tubes and make them permanent. The NDOR has eliminated the soft match program and has established the Federal Buy out Program. Commissioner Brown would be in favor of doing this. The NDOR will need a Resolution to this done by February 29, 2012. There were several other projects listed also.

Warren received a final financial settlement from the Nebraska Department of Roads for Project #STPE 2395(5), located 0.8 miles south of Nora. The balance the County would owe for this project is \$2,453.52. A claim will be submitted for payment.



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A motion was made by Corman and seconded by Combs to approve the Water Line Easement request by Kevin Schultz to install a water line under the county road and road ditches, between Sections 33 & 25, T2N-R5W (Spring Creek Precinct). Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Combs and seconded by Brown to approve the Electrical Line Easement request by Jim Smith to install an electrical line under the county road and road ditch between Sections 28 & 29, T1N-R7W (Beaver Precinct). Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Aye, 0 voted Nay. Motion carried.

Jim Rempe, Angie Gardner, Nick Elledge, Darin Ostidiek, Scott Meyer all from the Nuckolls County Fair Board met with the Commissioners to request their approval to allow the Fair Board to hold a concert with a beer garden sometime in August following the County Fair. Discussion was held regarding the concerns from the last concert held in 2000. The Commissioners informed the Fair Board of requirements needed to get a 'Special Designated License' (SDL) from the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission. Discussion was held regarding the security for the concert. The Commissioners requested to have someone from the Sheriff's Department be present for this discussion. Chief Deputy Baker then met with the Commissioners and Fair Board. Baker commented the Sheriff's Department would not be able to provide the needed security, however he would discuss having the Nebraska State Patrol be present. The Fair Board will need to provide the basic security and between the Sheriff's Department and the State Patrol, they will be present also. At this time the Board of Commissioners and Sheriff's Department have given their authorization to proceed with the concert and beer garden as long as the proper procedures have been implemented.

The Board received the draft audit report from Contryman Associates P.C. for the 2010/2011 Nuckolls County Audit. The Board reviewed the draft audit report. A motion was made by Brown and seconded by Corman to authorize Chairman Combs to sign the Letter to Contryman Associates P.C. acknowledging the 2010/2011 Nuckolls County Audit Report by Contryman Associates P.C. Combs, Corman and Brown all voted Ave, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

Treasurer Ensign met briefly with the Board to discuss a request from NACO regarding Inheritance Tax received from 2008/2009 to 2010/2011. This response was regarding LB970, which was introduced by the Governor and it would eliminate the Inheritance Tax in Nebraska.

The Board reviewed the 2011 long sheets for county employees that were submitted at this time and the following salary claims were approved:

General Fund Salaries: \$57,198.32 Road Fund Salaries: \$41,051.73 Civil Defense Fund Salary: \$2,200.00 911 Emergency Fund Salaries: \$400.00

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 11:08 a.m. until Monday, January 23, 2012.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk